

In honor of International Conflict Resolution Day on October 20, 2016, Governor Dayton has proclaimed the third week in October "Conflict Resolution Week." The upcoming art exhibition, *Circling Justice*, seeks to celebrate efforts to promote and utilize Conflict Transformation practices such as Mediation, Restorative Justice, Peacemaking Circles and other Alternative Dispute Resolution processes in our communities, courts, and schools.

Circling Justice will be hosted at Perpich Center for Arts Education in Golden Valley, MN and The Third Bird restaurant in Minneapolis, MN. The exhibition will create space to express ideas about the challenges and injustices we face within our broken systems. Circling Justice invites a variety of understandings of the word "conflict": new meanings which move beyond the negative and reflect the value of conflict and the importance of having tools and venues to resolve it constructively.

Circling Justice will provide opportunities for conversations about the role of art in conflict.

## **DATES AND TIMES**

Submission Deadline: 8 a.m. Monday, Oct. 3, 2016

Applicants notified: by Friday, Oct. 7

Artwork Drop Off: Friday, Oct. 14, 3 - 7 p.m.

Exhibition Running Dates: Oct. 19 - Nov. 28

Reception at Third Bird: Thursday, Oct. 20, 6 - 8 p.m.

Reception at Perpich: Thursday, Oct. 27, 5 - 7 p.m.

## **APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

All types of art media will be considered: 2D, 3D, installation, digital, poetry, music, performance, etc.

To apply, please email CirclingJustice@gmail.com with the following:

- Briefly introduce yourself and describe how your work, ideas, or practice connect to the theme.
- Please submit up to 5 images for consideration for the exhibition. Include a corresponding list with titles of works, medium, date, and size of artwork of each image sent.
- 3.) If you hope to create new work for this exhibition, please submit a sketch and brief narrative description.
- 4.) Be sure to include your full name, email address, and phone number.

Artists in *Circling Justice* will be invited to participate in facilitated Circle Process discussions with students at Perpich, which could cover a wide range of topics around social justice issues, conflict resolution and artistic expression.

Circling Justice will be juried by Conflict Resolution Minnesota Board members and Perpich Center for the Arts Faculty/Staff. Artwork image: Heart, by Silvia Gonzales